

Candidates Speak

Wednesday evening there was a much larger crowd assembled here than was expected by the candidates or anybody else, to hear, principally Hon. Roy McKittrick and Hon. Allie Drace discuss the points in their campaign. Advantage was taken by other candidates and the large crowd was entertained until a late hour, quite a number came from distances and there were perhaps between three and four hundred interested listeners.

The race for prosecuting attorney has developed some rather unique and of course unusual features, but the methods adopted by the two candidates make it about a stand off but each appears to have been drawn into rather questionable sort of campaign, both appearing to have adopted to a considerable extent the tactics of Folk for U. S. Senator.

The real speech of the evening according to public opinion appears to have been made by Hon. Will Herring for he worked a decided surprise on all who heard him. No one present including himself had an idea that he was among the top orators in the county.

It is a good scheme to have a number of candidates assemble at a certain point and publicly declare their short comings and long hopes. In several adjacent counties what is termed a roundup has been adopted and speaking points named at which all candidates assemble and a committee outside of office seekers takes charge.

From now until Tuesday look out for dust clouds all over the county.

Triplet

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Faidley of Grand Island, Nebr. are visiting at the home of F. K. She-walter.

Mrs. Wm. Wilson returned from a several weeks visit in Kansas City.

Miss Lula Belle and Florence Guilloid spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Travis Daniels visited home folks Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred McPherson returned home Wednesday after a several day stay with home folks.

Roy Daniels came in from Iowa the first of the week.

Mrs. Vera White is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Elliott and Mrs. Frank Elliott left Thursday for Excelsior Springs where they will stay a few weeks for the benefit of Oscar's health.

Harry Duncan has so far recovered from typhoid fever as to be able to come to town Tuesday. His mother Mrs. Duncan is now down with the fever.

Charles Howell is here as a sort of sub-assistant farm advisor for Mr. Sam Jordan and also to be coached by the distinguished agriculturist. He came Monday and his stay is indefinite.

Mrs. C. C. Carlestead and children left for Chicago Saturday, where they will visit relatives for some weeks. Cris is planting more garden and otherwise deporting himself patriotically.

Dr. Joe Glenn came Sunday for a visit to his daughter Mrs. Mabel Purcell and her daughter. Doc. looks fine and appears to be feeling so. It has been more than 20 years since his last visit to this county. He is in the Government service and came from the east.

Americans Hold All Gains

GERMAN COUNTER ATTACKS AND THRUSTS ARE FOILED.

American Positions showered with explosive and gas projectiles, but fierceness of fighting decreases.

Big guns are again set to work on allied line in Soissons sector. U-boats sink fewer Ships, but said to be strung from Ireland to America.

Many flyers killed at training camps.

Our forces have advanced under heavy fire and other heaps of the dead enemy and now hold all gains. Americans are in commanding positions about Soissons and French pushing on to Rheims. Violent counter attacks by German forces prove futile. German supply base captured and in their retreat it appears they are burning villages. A lull in the hardest fighting during the war. A decisive battle is expected on the marne. The Kaiser expresses confidence in his army and navy and says they will foil the enemies. A former French minister says increase in America's fighting forces is Germany's doom. U-boats have sunk several vessels but with little loss of life during the past week. A number of bird-men, completing their training at home camps have met disaster.

American losses at front are not yet given.

Farm Bureau Notes By Sam Jordan

I am in receipt of a letter from London, Ontario, from a man having read something about soybeans in Chariton County. He is anxious to try them and has asked me, even at this late date, to send him one peck of inoculated seed. I have advised him that they will not do him much good from this time on, but to get in touch with us next year, and I will try to start him out with some of our varieties, as he wants them entirely for balancing up his silage. Where corn and soybeans are put into the silo it has been found to make an excellent feed.

The Wheat Smut Situation

Investigations in the county have shown several fields in which smut has been found to a greater or less extent. One man threshed 800 bushels of wheat, getting \$1.75 per bushel. His wheat otherwise should have graded No. 1, which on the market at this time at the least calculation would have brot him not less than \$2.05. A thirty cent loss per bushel means a loss of \$240. This man had the formaldehyde already bought, but so long as it stays corked up in the bottle it will do the wheat no good. I asked him why he didn't use it and he rather indicated that possible his neighbor might have been to blame, who said he had no faith in such nonsense. I suggested that he tell his neighbor the story I was telling him. On one occasion in my institute work I got a good opportunity to spring a good yarn on him and he was one of those good sports that always watches for an opportunity to play even. He spoke first at the next meeting and introducing me said: Now this man, Jordan, is going to make a corn talk and he will make you a good one. He knows a lot about corn, in fact he is wise on corn, but a sort of a blamed fool about a lot of other things. I pleaded guilty to the charge and told him I felt comfortable, since I was not lonesome at all. I told this man to say to his neighbor that perhaps he might know a lot about corn and oats and cattle and pigs and other stuff, but he was a blamed fool about treating wheat for smut.

Another farmer pulls \$1.60 a bushel for wheat that save for smut would have graded No. 1. A car of this wheat containing 1000 bushels means approximately a \$450 loss.

There is just one logical way to prevent this trouble and it is so cheap and easy that it would seem that no one would take a chance on such a loss, when it is so readily prevented. From the best information that I can secure, very little of this kind of smut is carried over in the soil, so that we can be so readily assured that if we sow clean seed, even in ground where smutty wheat had grown the season before, that we need have little fears of trouble. However, where it can be done, it is perhaps at least as safe and a splendid farm practice to follow the corn with wheat rather than follow wheat with wheat.

Look out for the dates for our Smut Treating Campaign in the county as this Bureau is going to do its part to make every man in the county familiar with just how to treat his wheat. If a farmer does not avail himself of this opportunity, then we will feel at least that we have done our share, and if he should sustain a loss, nothing but perhaps his own negligence will be the cause. We have had a vast number of cases lately where men have lost time enormously, by endeavoring to save it. One man who sustained a loss of about \$80 on his wheat crop didn't have time to attend a treating demonstration. Would not take time even to ask a question which the Bureau would have gone across the county, if need be, to assist him.

So lets be honest with ourselves as we certainly should not be afraid to let it be known there is something we don't know. While I may know a little corn and oats and hay, I couldn't make you a set of false teeth and guarantee them to work good. I couldn't make you a suit of clothes or a pair of boots, nor trim your wife's bonnet. I couldn't saw off your arm and guarantee the job. I couldn't run a locomobile, nor do I understand the mechanism of a linotype, nor telephone. So you see on matters of this character, that some persons are doing all the time and understand them, I am a sort of a blamed fool. Arn't you?

Mrs. W. G. Agee and daughter Mrs. Hardin and granddaughter Francis went to Kansas City Monday.

Mrs. Everet Gilland daughter Elizabeth who came Saturday for a visit to relatives left Tuesday for Kansas City.

Sinn Fein

The words "Sinn Fein" means "ourselves alone," and are pronounced "Sin Fane." The organization was intended to promote a propaganda along the lines of using Irish products only, and speaking the Irish language. It was intended to be a peaceful movement until within a few years ago, when opposition to the Nationalist party developed. Sterner measures were then preached.

Prairie Hill

Miss Rosa Draper of Salisbury is visiting Miss Ruby Naylor.

Fred Conrad is improving after a few days sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDonald left Friday for a visit with the latter's father Lewis Monk of Mendon.

Meeting is in progress at the Christian Church by Rev. Henson of Moberly.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Conrad, Wm. Conrad and Roy Slater left Saturday for K. City. They were accompanied home by Mrs. P. O. Conrad. They made the trip in the car purchased recently by Wm. Conrad.

Mrs. Eliza Baker is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Louis Arnsberger of Moberly.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Talkington returned Sunday from a visit with Roy Richardson and wife of Macon county.

Miss Lucile Bumgarner left Sunday for a weeks visit with friends in Marcelline.

Mrs. Arthur Colley returned Saturday from a visit with her daughter Mrs. Jack Minor of Moberly.

Saturday Aug. 3 Uncle Rueben Dameron will give a fish fry and barbecue in his pasture, the proceeds to be donated to the Red Cross. Every body urged to come.

The protracted meeting at Providence conducted by Rev. Potter of Platte City and Rev. Luetzow the pastor is progressing nicely.

Frank Harlan shipped cattle to Chicago market Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cooper were in Moberly Saturday.

Miss Rozella Lozier returned Sunday after a weeks visit with friends near Keytesville.

Mr. Porter of Marcelline has accepted the contract to erect the new brick school building, and commenced work Monday.

Go Next.

The next contingent from this county for war service will be 40 negroes between the 1st and 5th. for Camp Dodge and then Alweld Reynold will go to Syracuse New York for guard duty and 6 men for Jefferson Barracks on the 9th. and three for Kansas City Mechanical School on the 15th.

The Corn Crop

101 percent was the rating of our corn crop in June. According to the opinion of many it cannot possibly be more than 65 percent now. With grasshoppers and hot winds incalculable damage has been done to what promised to be a magnificent crop.

The Courier man started out Saturday afternoon expecting to go to Marcelline, Rothville and Mendon. He reached Mike in his flivver and a big cloud streaks of lightening and its aerial cannonading halted him there. The bombardment ceased after an hour or so, the black cloud nearly disappeared and the weather prophets about Mike opined that the storm must have been north of Marcelline, at any rate very little this side thereof. The Editor in his flivver set sail for the Linn-Chariton city and as he advanced the dust became less. When about a mile north of Maupin school house the track of the flivver could not be followed by wiggly worms and going up a long clay hill with a six foot ditch on one side and a three foot ditch on the other each with plenty of water gurgling to the big branch below, the flivver chose the shallow ditch and headed in to it. It rained some more and the editor with a big stogy sat in his then easy car and kept ratically dry. The rain ceased but not the slipperiness. Three Fords passed him going to Marcelline neither of which offered assistance or commiserated the plight of the Courier man. The first one went into the ditch on the same side of the road about 200 yards away. The second slipped around and refused to proceed further at about 150 yds. and the third could not make it for a while so there were four Fords hung up within a little more than a quarter of a mile before Frank Evans and his wife came alone in a single buggy and helped the first man out and then came down and rescued the Courier from an all night session in the mud and water and under the hog plum trees which garnished the road side where he was stranded. Nix on trying to pilot a Ford over plate glass road without chains.

Methodist Church

The pastor will preach at the morning hour of worship Sunday. Sunday School will be held at 9:45 A. M. and Epworth League at 7:30 P. M.

The union service of all churches will be held Sunday evening at the Airdome. Rev M. C. Davis will preach the sermon.

Jack Edwards is visiting friends in Salisbury this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and daughter Mrs. Ella Hardin and daughter Frances returned from Camp Dodge Sunday where they have been to see their son, brother and uncle, Ben Agee. They report Ben looking fine.

Fred Linneman was in town Monday in his new Hupp. While bringing it from Kansas City last week an old hen flew in front of Fred and he knocked her out with one of his headlights. The hen did the same for the headlight.

To Camp Funston Last Friday

Twenty nine of our fine young men went to Camp Funston last Friday to train for military service. It was a splendid squad for soldiers and the entire lot was in accord with the purpose and so were the parents, wives, sisters and and sweethearts of the boys. Following is the list of names:

Kenneth R. Rice, Rothville. Price Saunders, Geo. H. Speiser, Fleet Hilton, Joseph Blackwell, Lawrence Folk, Salisbury; Louis Penick, Frank Spark Sparks, Chas. Rutliff, Walter C. Johnson, Lyson E. Riley, Brunswick; H. H. Heddeshimer, Forrest Green; Albert Rafferty, Harold Blakeley, Younger Webb, Keytesville; Cltrence Vires, Mussel-Fork; H. W. Williams, Edward Howard, John Ferguson, Marcelline; Rudolph Ingerten, Triplett; J. H. Thompson, Glasgow; Otto C. Hanswirth, Aug. E. Buck-sath Dalton; Jno. W. Roup, Sumner; E. Lee Wilson, Whitham; Frank C. Weston, New Cambria; Otto Sharp, Snyder; Arthur F. Hill Clifton Hill; Oscar J. Annis, transferred, Perth Kas. Ralph Baily, Alliance, Nebr., Lloyd Earlywine and John Geronimi, transfers.

Another Gob of Mud

July 30, The Republic printed a statement from a republican politician in which he says that Senator Wilfley told him, he, Wilfley, voted for more Taft electors in 1912, than did he, Eugene Hale. Hale admits that he split between Roosevelt and Taft. Hale was a Bull Moose.

A telegram to the Courier from Senator Wilfley as follows:

St. Louis, Mo., July 30, 1918
Courier.
Keytesville Mo.

The statement in the Republic of July 30 that I voted for Taft electors is untrue. I never voted anything but the democratic ticket in my life.

Wilfley.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wilks are the proud pssessors of a fine boy which came to them Sunday afternoon. The youngster tipped the beam at 10½ pounds, and on his daddy's authority he is a great boy.

Paul Schowengerdt, assistant county farm adviser left Saturday for Columbia. He does not know where he will be assigned next. Mr. Schowengerdt demonstrated that he understands his line of work and is faithful in performing it. He made many friends during his stay.

Jimmy Jackson who lives on the Wheeler farm northwest of town is able to get about on the foot he shot two weeks ago. He was after a rabbit and when the rabbit jumped out of the line of his gun Jimmy lowered the gun and pulled the trigger and the bullet came very near taking off the little toe on the right foot.

Jim Hays Spence of south of town left for St. Louis to enlist in the navy. If the navy manages to accumulate many such as Jim Hays the flattilla of any enemy nation had better hunt shallow water and a quiet nook in some secluded uncharted bayou, otherwise there will be flotsam and jetsam galore. Jim hardly reached the mile post at which he would be entitled to become a full fledged Jackey but he possessed all and singular other qualifications, and we congratulate the navy and compliment Jim Hayes on his enlistment. In fact we have a number of our finest boys from this country who have taken that course to win the war.